

treating the laity with a neglect of their claim to be consulted, which, if not meant to be contemptuous (and this we do not suppose), has certainly the same effect. The Synod, consisting of Bishop, Clergy, and Laity, has taken a certain course; some of the Rural Deans by circulars induce a large number of the clergy to take an opposite course. If this be permitted and sanctioned, what layman will attend the next meeting that is summoned to *play at Synod*?

Memorial of the Laity.

[Circular.]

KINGSTON, December, 1853.

SIR: We enclose for your consideration, and that of the laity of the congregation with which you are connected, the accompanying copy of Memorials, now in course of preparation and signature by some of the Churches in Kingston and vicinity.

When completed, it is intended to send them to be laid before the Church authorities in England, at an early day.

Should any of the laity of the Congregation with which you are associated desire to memorialize in like manner, the Memorials should be written and signed according to the accompanying instructions, and sent to the address of any of the undersigned without delay.

Your obedient servants,

THOMAS ASKEW,

HORATIO YATES,

Churchwardens of St. George's Church in the City of Kingston.

WM. RUDSTON,

NEIL McLEOD,

Churchwardens of St. James' Church in the City of Kingston.

J. MARKS,

JOHN DUNN,

Churchwardens of Barriefield Church, in the immediate vicinity of Kingston.

MEMORIAL.

To Her Most Gracious Majesty, VICTORIA, by the Grace of God
Queen of Great Britain and Ireland, &c. &c.

The Memorial of the undersigned members of the Congregation of ——— Church (in the Archdeaconry of Kingston),
in the Diocese of Toronto, and that part of the Province of